

REMARKS


Claims 69, 73, 76 - 79 and 81 - 89 are pending in the within Application. Of these Claims, Claims 81 - 89 have been canceled herein.

With respect to Claims 69, 73 and 76 - 79, these Claims have been allowed by the Examiner.

With respect to Claims 81 - 89, the Examiner has rejected these Claims under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and 102(a) as being anticipated by Canadian Application 2,268,867 by Ivey et. al. and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 6,245,208 to Ivey et. al. respectively. Further, the Examiner has rejected Claims 81, 82 and 84 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Zakel et. al. ("Flip Chip Assembly Using Gold, Gold-Tin, and Nickel-Gold Metallurgy"....). In response, the Applicant has canceled Claims 81 - 89 herein. Thus, the rejections of the Examiner have been fully addressed.

Accordingly, allowed Claims 69, 73 and 76 - 79 only are presently pending in this Application. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that this Application is in condition for allowance and allowance is respectfully requested.

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